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Dr. Booker T. Washington Spends a Strenuous and Busy Day in Greater Kansas City

THE WORLD'S GREATEST EDUCATOR VISIBLY IMPRESSED BY HIS MAGNIFICENT RECEPTION IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE CITY.

His Trip Over The Two Cities One Continued Ovation and Thousands Gathered at the Places Where His Party Was Announced to Stop, to Hear the Brief but Helpful and Optimistic Addresses that He Delivered.

MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE CROWDED THE SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH TO HEAR HIS RINGING ADDRESS WHILE HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS WERE ABSOLUTELY UNABLE TO GAIN ADMISSION.

Banquet After Address Attended by Representative Negroes From the Two Kansas Cities, Topeka, Leavenworth, St. Joseph, Omaha, Lawrence and Nearby Cities.

"MY MOST ENJOYABLE TRIP" SAID DR. WASHINGTON.

The visit of Dr. Booker T. Washington, the "Wizard of Tuskegee" and the world's famous educator, to Kansas City last Wednesday marked a distinct epoch in the history of this city and brought the noted educator in touch with the business and educational interests of the Negroes of this community such as he had never had an opportunity to enjoy before. The Negro Business League, under the able and aggressive leadership of President Fortune J. Weaver and Mr. E. A. Robinson, the hustling fiscal agent, deserve much credit for the excellence of the arrangements for the distinguished guest and for the successful and on the minute manner in which the schedule was carried out. Dr. Washington arrived in the city at 11:50 a. m. from Chicago accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Nathan Hunt, and was met by a delegation of the league, wearing handsome silk badges, composed of the following gentlemen: F. J. Weaver, J. Dallas Bowser, Nelson C. Crews, A. E. Estes, Dr. T. C. Unthank, Dr. J. E. Dibble, S. M. Steele, Dr. H. M. Smith, H. D. Simmons, Wm. Hopkins, Chas. H. Calloway, W. Dallas Foster, Dr. S. H. Thompson, Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., Rev. J. R. Ransom, E. Eugene Vaughan and Rev. J. C. Owens.

Immediately after the exchange of greetings and introductions the party was hurried into three waiting automobiles and started over the Inter-City Viaduct for Sumner High School, Kansas City, Kans., where the first address of the day was delivered at 11:20. The entire faculty and student body of the High School and Douglass Ward School had gathered on the terrace along with several hundred citizens, white and colored and were repaid for their waiting by a splendid address by Dr. Washington who spoke for twenty minutes from his automobile. At the conclusion of his address here, amid the shrill applause of a thousand students and their elders the party dashed away for Douglass Hospital where a brief stop was made to greet the Board of Directors and the nurses who had assembled in a body upon the terrace (and by the way Douglass Hospital was made a possibility through the wisdom of the late Bishop Grant and the kindness of Dr. Washington, who donated his services in a lecture at Convention Hall in 1906 which netted nearly \$2,000 for the purchase of that institution). After a brief stop the party moved on to the Colored Women's Christian Association where they were met by the efficient secretary, Mrs. Lydia C. Smith, who knew Mr. Washington quite well in New York, and then on to Western University, presided over by the Doctor's personal friend and associate, President H. T. Kealing. As the cars drove up to the University it was an inspiring scene to witness the reception on the part of the student body and the citizens of Quindaro and the Inter-City Methodist Ministerial Alliance which was present in a body. As the band played "Hail to the Chief" and the students stood at salute, Dr. Washington was escorted into the Administration Building and after a brief introduction to the faculty and others was escorted through the different buildings and expressed much pleasure at the work being done by Dr. Kealing. At 12:30 the students and visitors assembled in the Chapel and after a couple of suitable selections by the famous Western University Choral Club, Mr. Washington was introduced and delivered an impressive and lasting address to the throng that packed the chapel. At its conclusion the guests were served luncheon in the dining hall under the direction of Miss Davis, domestic science teacher, formerly of Tuskegee Institute, and Dr. Washington was loud in his praise of both

Miss Davis and Prof. Gordon Thomas, a popular graduate of Western University who is now a prominent member of the faculty at Tuskegee. After the luncheon the party broke all records driving from Quindaro to Lincoln High School, Kansas City, Mo. The next stop and as they entered the assembly room, the students sang with warmth and fervor "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Dr. Washington was presented by Prof. G. N. Grisham, principal of Lincoln High, and delivered another of his highly appreciated addresses to the students and after a hurried inspection of the different departments was driven on a hurried tour of a few of the Ward Schools and other places of interest in Kansas City, Mo.

The first stop was at Wendell Phillips School, R. W. Foster, principal, and the pandemonium that broke loose among the 800 children attending that school pleased Dr. Washington immensely as evidenced by the jolly abandon with which he entered into the spirit of the occasion. Hundreds of the colored people who live in the vicinity of this school, located in the center of the Black Belt, crowded the streets to greet the noted Educator and his reception really developed into an ovation.

From Wendell Phillips the distinguished guest was driven to Attucks School over Vine street which was thronged with colored people who wildly applauded the famous educator as his car whizzed by. At Attucks was the most inspiring reception of the day on the part of school children. Mr. Washington's face broke into a smile as he witnessed the enthusiasm of the children in their appreciation of his visit. The flag drill led by Principal G. A. Page as well as the stirring patriotic songs by the children drew applause from many white and colored people gathered on the adjacent sidewalks and after a few words of appreciation and encouragement on the part of Mr. Washington the party proceeded to the office of the Kansas City Sun and the headquarters of the Local League where only a brief stop was made after which they were taken to the site of the new one hundred thousand dollar Y. M. C. A., then to the old Y. M. C. A. rooms where the Doctor visited a moment with Secretary DeFrantz. Eighteenth street presented a gala appearance with the many flags and pictures and bunting that were hung out at all of the colored places of business and Mr. Washington expressed appreciable surprise at the material evidences of racial progress.

The next stopping place was Lincoln Ward School and Prof. Joe E. Herfford, faculty and 650 students were drawn up in soldierly array on the campus and gave a royal greeting to the distinguished educator as he drove up. After a few brief remarks and congratulations to Prof. Herfford on the excellence and neatness of his school and pupils, Dr. Washington was carried by a number of the Colored Churches and then on to the City Hall where he was scheduled to meet the Mayor of the City. Hundreds of white people crowded the corridors when it was announced that the noted Negro was in the building and he was given a royal reception during his twenty minutes stay in the Mayor's office.

From the City Hall the party was quickly whirled to the Garrison School, Prof. R. T. Coles, principal, where they were royally received by the students and parents of that vicinity and a little chap not over five years of age and about a foot and a half high, with amusing confidence in himself, went upon the steps of the building and in a clear, ringing, childish tone said "Dr. Washington, on behalf of the teachers and boys and

girls of Garrison School we bid you welcome" and Dr. Washington himself was compelled to applaud the eloquence and confidence of the little chap. Dr. Washington said in reply, "I am especially glad to visit Garrison School because your principal and I were schoolmates together down in Virginia and I found him then as now an honorable, aggressive and progressive young man of whom the race has a right to feel justly proud." At the conclusion of his brief address, Dr. Washington and the escorting party were carried through the beautiful Garrison Square Baths and Social Center for Colored People and the Dr. was evidently astounded at the beauty, luxury and magnificence of the facilities being provided for the colored people in that section of the city and commented upon it at length in his address at night.

After leaving Garrison Square the party paid a brief visit to Dr. Unthank's Drug Store on Independence avenue, after which the Doctor was taken to his stopping place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Franklin, 2925 Highland avenue.

At 8:00 o'clock in the evening a crowd estimated at more than 2,300 people packed every available inch of space at the Second Baptist Church, 10th and Charlotte streets, to hear Dr. Washington, and, although the price of admission was only 35 cents, many white and colored offered \$1.00 for tickets or standing room to hear him. But when the building was filled the colored firemen and policemen on duty announced that no more could be admitted and hundreds were disappointed in being unable to hear him. The following program was rendered:

PROGRAM.

F. J. Weaver, President, Presiding.

1. Invocation.....

.....Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D.

2. "Gloria" from "The Twelfth Mass".....

.....2nd Baptist Church Choir

3. Introduction of Mayor.....

.....Dr. Howard M. Smith

4. Welcome Address.....

.....Mayor Jost

5. Chorus.....

.....West'n University Chorus

6. Piano Selection.....

.....S. S. R. S. Stewart

7. Introduction of Dr. Washington.....

.....Prof. H. T. Kealing

8. Address.....

.....Dr. Booker T. Washington

9. Selection.....

.....Sumner High School Quartette

Address of welcome of Mayor Henry L. Jost. Stenographically reported by corresponding secretary, E. E. Vaughan, was as follows:

"Ladies and Gentlemen: I am very gratified indeed to see some of my countrymen for a few moments to come here and pay my respects to one of the finest characters in this world. I was delighted to have him visit me today in my office, and glad indeed to take his hand and welcome him to this industrial and prosperous city where so many of his people live and toil in life.

"Particularly interesting to me in Booker T. Washington is that he has a big mind and a great big heart. And in this one great problem that we have in this country of adjusting the proper place and relationship of the colored people and the white people, it is fortunate indeed that we have in this land such a character, and one who dwells so largely in the hearts of his people. Fifty years have gone by since the black man was emancipated in this country, his hardships and his handicaps have been many, and yet in spite of the many obstacles he has encountered, he has made much progress, and he is to be complimented on the way he has lifted himself up as a race.

"Dr. Washington, we have Negroes in Kansas City who are law-abiding, Negroes who respect the government of this community, and who have succeeded in lifting themselves high in the estimation of their fellow citizens here. And in respect to the administration of laws, I am indeed glad to say that there ought to be the same kind of law for every human being. There ought to be the same kind of human feeling and human kindness to run through the human family, irrespective of whether the people to receive this kindness be white people or black. I am of the opinion that everybody has the same right to live; that there ought to be (Continued on page 8.)

The colored people of Kansas City were plunged in sorrow on last Thursday when the news spread abroad that Miss Emma Smith, one of the most lovable girls Kansas City has ever produced had passed away Wednesday night at 11 p. m. For eleven years Miss Smith was prima donna of the Blind Boone Concert Company and won the praise and esteem of white and colored people throughout the United States by her gracious manner, her sweet disposition and her splendid voice. She was born in Kansas City in 1881 and her parents were Isaac W. and Josephine Smith of whom the mother still lives. She graduated in Lincoln High School with honor in 1901 and had the confidence and love of both her classmates and teachers. During her years of travel with the Blind Boone Concert Company, she saved her earnings and assisted in purchasing a comfortable home for her mother, where she was enabled to spend her last days during her long illness in quiet and comfort. Her funeral will be held Sunday morning at 10 o'clock from the Second Baptist Church and at her request will be conducted by Rev. S. W. Baetz, D. D. and Rev. W. C. Williams of Ebenezer A. M. E. Church. The entire staff of the Sun who loved and admired "Little Emma," extend their deepest sympathy to the mother and relatives in their hour of sorrow. The family has lost a dutiful daughter, and the race a lovable woman.

VINE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH.

Mrs. John Reed is much improved and will return to her home in Centropolis in a few days. Her many friends will welcome her home.... Mrs. T. Pollard has returned after undergoing a serious operation and is doing fine.... We hope she will continue to improve.... Our ten days' meeting closed last Sunday and it was indeed a day of rejoicing. After preaching at night twelve candidates were baptized. We pray that God will keep them and make them great workers in his vineyard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Reed, 1226 Vine Street wish to thank their many friends for the kindness tendered

BURGLAR CAPTURED.

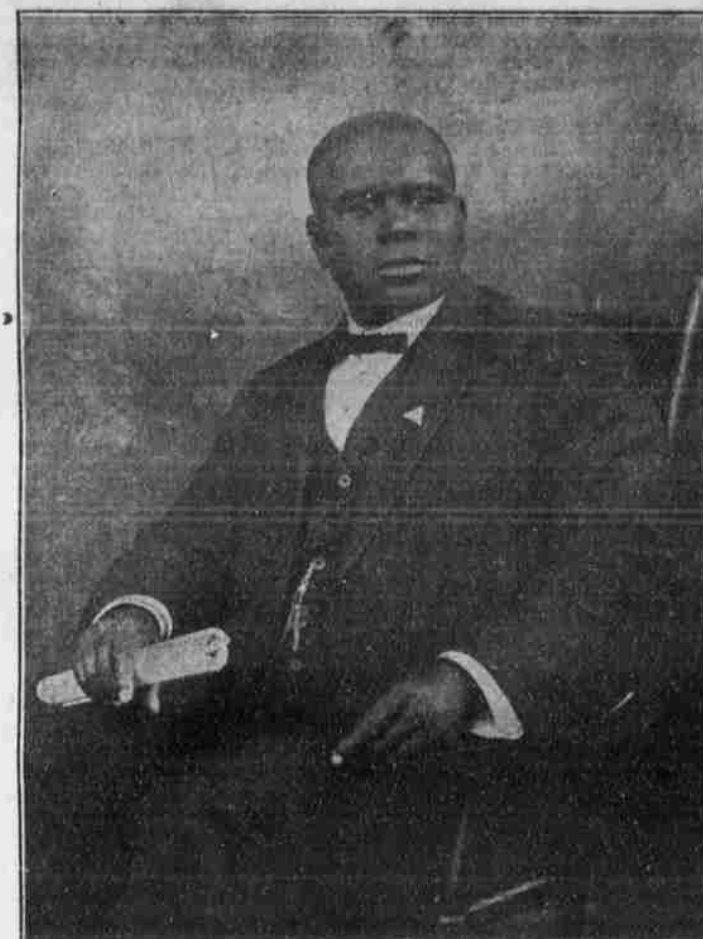
The burglar captured by Joseph T. Bird, president and general manager of the Emery, Bird, Thayer Dry Goods Company, in his home, Elmhurst, Thirty-sixth street and Broadway, Thursday night, is the manager of a Negro opera company. Besides the jewelry, valued at nearly \$2,000, about \$1,400 of which was the property of Mr. Bird, the police took possession of about \$500 worth found in the burglar's room yesterday.

The burglar at first gave the name of Charles P. Wilson, but in his pockets were found letters and papers addressed to E. M. Buckner. Among papers found yesterday were letterheads, across the top of which were the pictures of well dressed Negroes and underneath was the line, "Buckner's Colored Ragtime Opera Company." Under one of the pictures was the name of E. M. Buckner. It is a picture made from a photograph of the burglar.

Captain Thomas P. Flahive put the burglar through the "sweating process" at headquarters yesterday, after the police had visited many places in an effort to find his room. This resulted in the information that the man roomed at 1806 East Fourteenth street. There, yesterday afternoon, a Negro woman, Regina Gudegg, also a member of the Negro opera company, was arrested by Detectives Raferty and King, and was taken to police headquarters, along with more than \$500 worth of jewelry which Wilson says he purchased, but which the police believe was stolen either in Kansas City or in other cities.

The burglar captured by Mr. Bird and his butler is a desperate character, according to the police. He has served two terms in the penitentiary on the charge of burglary, and both times was sent from Kansas City. Each time he gave the name of Charles P. Wilson. The first time he was sentenced was April 20, 1907, for two years, and the second time for attempted burglary, February 22, 1909.

When it became known yesterday morning that Wilson had been found in possession of much more jewelry than he had attempted to steal from the home of Mr. Bird, many persons visited police headquarters or telephoned in an effort to identify arti-



Rev. J. W. Hulse, Pastor of St. Stephen's Baptist Church, who will preach on "Hell" Sunday night.

HELL

Is it a myth as Dr. Burris Jenkins is reported to have said, Or is it a state of mind as Dr. Frank S. Arnold is quoted as saying, Or is it a tragic and awful reality as Layman R. A. Long infers in his speech at St. Louis recently.

SUNDAY EVENING, MARCH 8—8:00 O'CLOCK AT ST. STEPHEN'S BAPTIST CHURCH, 604 Charlotte Street.

The above subject will be discussed by Dr. J. W. Hulse, the Pastor. You are cordially invited to attend. Splendid music.

COME EARLY TO INSURE A GOOD SEAT.

The Rev. J. W. Hulse, one of the most popular ministers of the race and a preacher of much logic and power, received the following letter from a prominent white gentleman, asking him to preach upon this subject "Hell," and assuring him that a large body of prominent white people would be in attendance to hear him. The letter is as follows:

Kansas City, Mo., February 27, 1914.

Rev. J. W. Hulse,

Pastor St. Stephen's Baptist Church, 800 Independence Ave., City.

My Dear Doctor: In conformance with the telephonic communication with you this morning, I am taking the liberty to enclose a card issued by the Rev. Frank G. Smith, pastor of the First Congregation Church of this city, the subject matter of which is very plain. I notice that all of the eminent ministers are now discussing the subject, "Hell," and I feel that, occupying the position which you do as one of the leaders and one of the most prominent and eloquent preachers of your race in this city, you should take cognizance of this subject and express your thoughts in one of your usual strong and characteristic sermons.

Trusting that you may see your way clear to do this at an early date and that I may be advised thereof, I am

Yours very truly,

J. A. EAMES.

Those who desire to hear Dr. Hulse will have to go early, as his Church is usually crowded to its capacity at the night service. Dr. Hulse recently sold his two Cafes on account of the arduous duties of his Church, but the persons to whom he sold the famous little Baltimore Cafe No. 1 were unable to complete their payments and it reverted back to him and realizing the necessity of a first class Cafe for our people on Independence avenue, he decided to have a grand re-opening of Baltimore Cafe No. 1, 808 Independence avenue, Saturday, March 7th, at 12:00 o'clock under the original management of Rev. J. W. Hulse pastor of St. Stephen's Baptist Church. The Cafe will be opened with a genuine Southern Barbecue and Hulse's famous "Comeback sauce" and on Sunday, March 8th, they will serve an elegant Sunday dinner with the following:

MENU

Roast Turkey	Baked Chicken	Roast Beef	Roast Pork
Cream Potatoes	Stewed Chicken with Dumplings	Corn	Spinach
Green Onions	Tomatoes	Lettuce	

Everyone is invited and the best of service is guaranteed. Doubtless many of the best citizens of Kansas City will partake of this dinner.

FIGHTING FOR LIFE.

Father and Son, Because the Latter Tried to Protect His Aged Parents—Let Us All Help Financially.

Colorado State Penitentiary.

Hon. N. C. Crews, Dear Sir: I am enclosing herewith a copy of a decision handed down by the supreme court of Colorado in regard to my case, which was hastily tried in district court of Otero county at La Junta, Colo., in July, 1911, where I was instantly convicted and sentenced to death and my aged father, a man of near 83 years, was also convicted as an accomplice and sentenced from 20 to 50 years at hard labor in state penitentiary. I was sentenced to death for protecting my aged father and mother, in their own home, and my life at the cost of the lives of the two brutal, inhuman, prejudiced, Negro-hating, lawless policemen who were assaulting my mother and father, and seeking to murder me.

But after being denied a new trial by the judge trying my case, my attorney, Ex-Judge Lyman I. Henry of Pueblo, Colo., assisted by W. B. Townsend, attorney-at-law of Denver, Colo., aided at great expense by good citizens of both races and members of my lodge, the R. T. Coles lodge, No. 86, A. F. and A. M., Kansas City, Mo., and my father's, President lodge, No. 6, A. F. and A. M., Kansas City, Kas., I succeeded in getting our case to the supreme court, which readily reversed the judgment of the lower court, and granted me a new trial which will soon come.

Now, dear sir, the fight has just commenced as the prejudiced class in that community are determined that the sentence imposed on my father

and myself be carried out, and they will use every means in their power to gain their hellish ends, and to thwart all in their desire to see me get justice. I appeal to you for financial aid, if you can assist me in any way through the columns of your paper, or otherwise, to meet the financial demands involved, it will be greatly appreciated. My reason for sending you a copy of the supreme court's decision and comments, is for you to see clearly it was not an act trying or attempting to defy the law in any way, but one of protecting my parents and my life. I again beg to state that I am a worthy member of R. T. Coles lodge, No. 86, Kansas City, Mo., and my father, Joseph Harris, of Prudent lodge, No. 6, Kansas City, Kas., being a 32 degree man and a 33 degree gentleman. So I appeal to you most earnestly, that you may do for us what you can. You may refer to your respective lodges as to our standing. Should you feel disposed to aid us, forward same to my mother, Mrs. Clara Harris, No. 1319 River street, Canon City, Colo., as she is striving to gain to justice and every one looks to her to be paid for any expense incurred in helping father and me.

Please acknowledge receipt to me. Hoping for your assistance, I am, Yours respectfully and fraternally in A. F. and A. M.,

ROBERT HARRIS,

No. 8180, Colorado State Prison,

Canon City, Colorado.

The Colored Commercial Club, which is being organized by R. F. Quinn, is enrolling a large number of members. For information write R. F. Quinn, 5714 Main street.



HON. W. CLARENCE HUESTON.

Who was elected Trustee of Allen Chapel last Tuesday night by the largest vote given any candidate for the Trustee Board and who is amply demonstrating that the dawning of a New Era has arrived in Allen Chapel. Mr. Hueston is a brilliant Attorney practicing in both State and Federal Courts, a graduate of Kansas University, Worshipful Master of Mt. Oread Masonic Lodge and Chancellor Commander of Progress Lodge, K. of P., and Grand Attorney of the G. U. O. of O. F. He is doing a splendid work for his Church, his fraternities and his race and there is undoubtedly before him a glorious and a brilliant future.

When during the recent illness of Mr. Reed and also for the beautiful flowers sent. Mr. Reed is rapidly improving and is able to be at home.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

The services on last Sunday morning were largely attended. Both the main auditorium and the balcony were crowded. Music from the choir under the direction of Prof. Jackson, was the finest heard in several Sundays and the recessional was exceptionally impressive. A collection of \$70 was taken during the day and more than \$25 was raised at the request of the Public Welfare Board for the Colored Orphanage at 1406 Vine street. At night the minister, Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., preached a very impressive and eloquent sermon on the theme, "Honest with man but dishonest with God." The different activities of the church are working grandly and the Mock Conference to be held April 20th is destined to be one of the greatest financial events of the church. The Sunday School is having a wonderful growth in attendance and Mrs. Dr. Peck's Young People's Society is one of the most popular activities of the church.

Mrs. A. B. Holt, 3215 Main Street, has remodeled her home at 934 Everett Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas, where she now lives.

ST. JOHN A. M. E. CHURCH.

9:30 a. m., Sunday School; 11 a. m., preaching by the P. E.; 3 p. m., preaching by one of the Noble Sons of Kansas City, Mo. Come and hear him. The Lord's Supper will be administered. Come and help us. At 7:45 p. m. the Presiding Elder will preach. Monday night—Love Feast and Quarterly Conference. Everybody is invited to this meeting. The Rev. Mrs. E. N. Wilson met with a painful accident Sunday, while attending Rev. Allen's quarterly meeting in Independence, Mo. Dr. Dible is her physician.